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Title: DEVICE FOR DETECTING A CHEMICAL FLEMENT BY PHOTOEXCITATION			

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR § 1.8(b)

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Dear Sir:

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This is further to a telephone discussion with Examiner Lee on December 7, 2004. In an earlier telephone discussion on December 2, 2004, it became apparent that the response filed by fax on December 18, 2003 had not been connected with the Applicant's file. In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.8(b), I now submit an additional copy of the previously transmitted correspondence with certificate of facsimile transmission.

I attest on a personal knowledge basis that the response was filed by facsimile on December 18, 2003. I enclose a copy of the "Send Confirmation Report" that confirms 20 pages were filed by facsimile on December 18, 2003. Our firm has had intermittent problems with faxes being received by the USPTO's RightFax system, despite our fax confirmation reports stating all pages were sent. Our well-experienced fax technician has confirmed that our fax machine is in excellent working order and that our fax machine transmits each page if and only if it receives a signal from the receiving fax machine that pages are being received. Accordingly, the problem is with the USPTO's RightFax system. I have been working with Mr. Todd Heron at the USPTO since August 2004 to correct the USPTO problem.

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